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Re: UL 5A Sand, Reservoir A

UL 5B Sand, Reservoir A Crooked Bayou Field

Plaquemines Parish, Louisiana

Dear Commissioner Asprodites:

Application is hereby made on behalf of **AMERADA HESS CORPORATION** for the calling of public hearings, after legal notice, to consider evidence relative to the issuance of orders pertaining to the following matters relating to the UL 5A Sand, Reservoir A and the UL 5B Sand, Reservoir A, all in the Crooked Bayou Field, Plaquemines Parish, Louisiana:

- 1. To establish rules and regulations and to create a single drilling and production unit for the exploration for and production of gas and condensate from the UL 5A Sand Reservoir A, and the UL 5B Sand, Reservoir A, all, in the Crooked Bayou Field, Plaquemines Parish, Louisiana, said units to be designated UL 5A RA SUA and UL 5B RA SUA, all as shown on the plats attached hereto and made a part hereof.
- 2. To force pool and integrate all separately owned tracts, mineral leases and other property interests within each of the proposed units with each tract sharing in unit production on a surface acreage basis of participation.
- 3. To designate Amerada Hess Corporation as operator of each of the proposed units.

- 4. To designate the Amerada Hess Corporation W. G. Smith No. 1 Well as unit well for each of the proposed units.
- 5. To provide that any future wells drilled to the UL 5A Sand Reservoir A, and the UL 5B Sand, Reservoir A, all in the Crooked Bayou Field, should be located in accordance with the spacing provisions of Statewide Order No. 29-E.
- 6. To provide that the Commissioner of Conservation should be authorized to reclassify the each of the sands and reservoirs by supplemental order without the necessity of a public hearing if the producing characteristics of each reservoir changes and evidence to justify such reclassification is submitted to and accepted by the Commissioner of Conservation.
 - 7. To consider such others matters as may be pertinent.

The UL 5A Sand Reservoir A, in the Crooked Bayou Field, is hereby defined as being that gas and condensate bearing zone encountered between the depths of 9,990 feet and 10,027 feet (electrical log measurements) (9,811 feet and 9,847 feet - true vertical depths) in the Amerada Hess Corporation (formerly LLOG Exploration Company) – W. G. Smith et al No. 1-D Well, located in Section 33, Township 15 South, Range 15 East, Plaquemines Parish, Louisiana.

The UL 5B Sand Reservoir A, in the Crooked Bayou Field, is hereby defined as being that gas and condensate bearing zone encountered between the depths of 10,092 feet and 10,147 feet (electrical log measurements) (9,912 feet and 9,967 feet - true vertical depths) in the Amerada Hess Corporation (formerly LLOG Exploration Company) – W. G. Smith et al No. 1-D Well, located in Section 33, Township 15 South, Range 15 East, Plaquemines Parish, Louisiana.

Pertinent data, including well logs, may be obtained **AT THE COST OF THE REQUESTING PARTY** from Mr. Louis Gilbert at Louis Gilbert & Associates, Inc., 3636 North Causeway Blvd., Ste. 204, Metairie, Louisiana 70002-7216, Telephone No. 504/834-8112.

Pursuant to the Rules of Procedure, a pre-application conference was held on August 8, 2001, in Metairie, Louisiana, at which the parties named on the attached list were in attendance. The conference was opened by representatives of the applicant. Questions were asked and answered. No opposition was expressed and the conference was adjourned.

Attached hereto and made a part hereof are plats outlining the applicant's proposals, the conference attendance list and a list of the names and addresses of the Interested Owners, Represented Parties, and Interested Parties to whom a copy of this application is being mailed. Pursuant to the Revised Rules of Procedure, such plats (being the same plats attached to the notice dated July 16, 2001) and list of parties are being furnished only to the Commissioner of Conservation and to the District Manager of the Lafayette District of the Office of Conservation; however, the plats and/or list of parties will be furnished to any party requesting copies. A reasonable effort was made to ascertain the names and addresses of all Interested Owners, Represented Parties and Interested Parties.

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Finally, enclosed is our check on behalf of the applicant, in the amount of \$1,400.00, made payable to the Office of Conservation representing the required hearing application fee.

Very truly yours,

Richard W. Revels, Jr.

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